

January 14, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission

Ms. Dortch:

In light of the upcoming "localism in broadcasting" hearing to be held in San Antonio on January 28, 2004, I would like to express my gratitude to the management and employees of San Antonio's local Clear Channel radio and television stations.

The San Antonio Public Library Foundation scheduled a yearlong celebration in honor of the San Antonio Public Library's Centennial in 2003. We had James Earle Jones kick off our Centennial Celebration; Dr. Wade Davis, Dr. Sylvia Earle and Dr. Jane Goodall took part in our Discover the Library/Explore the World Lecture Series; First Lady Laura Bush came to San Antonio to promote our Born to Read Newborn Reading Initiative giving every baby born in Bexar county (25,000) their first books and library card; and much more.

I have worked with Clear Channel for many years and they have always displayed a deep commitment to the people of San Antonio. Whether their stations are airing public service announcements to recognize the Library staff for their hard work and dedication to the continued Library service to the community, or donating money to Library projects, Clear Channel is helping to improve San Antonio.

Without the help of these Clear Channel stations my organization would not be able to fully celebrate the Library's 100th Birthday and promote the Library as San Antonio's "free university". They continue to provide a valuable and needed service to this community.

During this upcoming hearing, Clear Channel radio and television should be recognized for offering San Antonio top quality programming, entertainment and news, but also for their dedication to our local community.

Sincerely,

Kaye Lenox
President/CEO